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The Utirik Council
Attention, Acting Magistrate Mein Henos
Utirik Atoll
Marshall Islands

Thank you for your nice letter. I am very happy about you writing and appreciate what you said about our past work. I am particularly happy that you have asked Dr. Knudsen to return and I will ask him to deliver this letter to you when he visits you in December. We are sorry to see Dr. and Mrs. Knudsen leave the Marshalls. They have done an excellent job and have always wanted to help the Marshallese people.

We are getting two new doctors. One is Dr. Pratt, an excellent doctor who will be taking my place when I retire a little over a year from now. The other is Dr. Grant who has been working for the Trust Territory at the Ebeye Hospital. He is a very good doctor and will be taking Dr. Knudsen's place when he leaves. They will be with me on the big survey in April. We also have a new Physician's Assistant, Mr. Copolla who you will meet with Dr. Knudsen. So you can see we are trying to give you the best medical care that is possible.

I am very glad that the Compensation bill has been signed by the President. As you know, I have pushed for this for you for a long time. I hope you will receive the money soon.

We are looking forward to the annual examination on Utirik around April. I will have a number of doctors and technicians with me and we will examine everyone on the island that wishes to be examined. We will also treat people who need it.

My best wishes to all the Utirik people and thank you again for your nice letter.

Yakwe kom,

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